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EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

In August 1980 a (supplementary) survey, based on the monthly population survey, was conducted throughout Australia in order to obtain information about the nature of housing occupancy. This survey is an extension and further development of the November 1978 Survey of Home Rental and Ownership (see also paragraph 13). In the August 1980 survey additional data were collected in respect of household ownership i.e. 'owners' were split into the two categories, outright owners and purchasers. Information was obtained in respect of type of dwelling, rent paid, mortgage payments, etc. This publication supplements the advance release (Catalogue No. 8724.0) issued on 13 March 1981.

2. As the survey was concerned with rental or mortgage payments and other household details, only one person in each household surveyed was asked the survey questions. Wherever possible, this person was the household head. In most cases, information on household and personal demographic characteristics was obtained directly from the head of the household. If the household head was not available for interview, information in respect of the head was obtained from another responsible adult in the household.

3. If the household head was outside the scope or the coverage of the survey (see paragraph 6), information was obtained in respect of another responsible adult in the household.

4. For the purposes of this survey these persons have been treated as household heads and are included in that category in relevant tables in this publication. The number of such cases was, however, very small.

The monthly population survey

5. The survey is based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 30,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covers about two-thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. (Questions relating to non-privately occupied dwellings were *excluded* from the supplementary survey of rented accommodation.) Information was obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers, the interviews being conducted during the two weeks beginning on Monday, the 11th of August 1980.

Scope of the estimates

6. The estimates relate to all privately occupied dwellings, except those occupied entirely by:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces

- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments
- (c) non-Australians on tour, or holidaying, in Australia
- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia, or
- (e) visitors to the dwelling.

Definitions

7. For purposes of this supplementary survey, *households* belong to one of four occupancy categories: (i) those which own their accommodation outright, (ii) those which are purchasing their accommodation by means of mortgage or some other form of finance, (iii) those which are renting their accommodation, or (iv) those which occupy their accommodation rent-free, or on some other basis.

8. *Government landlords* comprise any State Housing Department, Trust or Commission, the Department of the Capital Territory or the Northern Territory Housing Commission.

9. *Semi-detached houses* include terraced houses, villa units and town houses. A *low rise flat or unit* is a flat or unit contained in a structure having less than four storeys of dwelling units and a *high rise flat or unit* is one within a structure having four or more storeys of dwelling units.

10. *Dwelling purchase status* is described as either "first dwelling purchase" or "not first dwelling purchase". Households were classified as owning purchasing their first dwelling only where household members (whether by themselves or with any other person(s)) had not previously owned or been purchasing a dwelling in Australia. However, households which had previously owned or been purchasing a caravan, campervan or mobile dwelling (as their principal residence) and at the time of the survey owned or were purchasing their first dwelling, were included in the "first dwelling purchase" category. Households owning or purchasing other than their first dwelling include those occupying their first dwelling if that dwelling had been inherited, won as a prize or obtained as a gift.

Reliability of the estimates

11. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. An indication of the likely differences is given in the Technical Note, page 4. See also paragraph 6 of the Technical Note regarding non-sampling errors.

Comparability with data from other sources

12. Care should be taken in comparing data from this survey with that obtained from other sources. For example, because the methodology of the survey was oriented towards obtaining detailed information regarding housing *occupancy*, the figures shown for home *ownership* may not be strictly comparable with similar data derived from the Population Census and Household Expenditure Survey estimates. Also, under the self-enumeration methodology used in the Population Census, substantial numbers of households are classified to the "other" and "not stated" categories.

13. Coding irregularities in the processing of results from the November 1978 Survey of Home Rental and Ownership resulted in some estimates being misrepresented in the November 1978 tables showing country of birth of household head (i.e. Table 2 in publication 8709.0 and Table 6 in publication 8710.0). Estimates published under "Italy" should have been published as "Greece", those for "Greece" should have been "Yugoslavia" and those for "Yugoslavia" should have been "Holland". Estimates for "Italy" were in fact included in "Other". Revised tables are available on request with separate figures shown for "Italy".

Related publications

14. Users may wish to refer to the following publications which are available on request:

Survey of Home Rental and Ownership (Preliminary), November 1978 (8709.0)

Survey of Home Rental and Ownership, November 1978 (8710.0)

Survey of Housing Occupancy and Costs, Australia, August 1980 (Advance Release) (8724.0)

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Symbols and other usages

- * subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses. See paragraph 11 above
- .. not applicable

15. Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

The estimates are derived from the population survey by use of a complex ratio estimation procedure, which ensures that the survey estimates conform to an independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex, rather than to the age and sex distribution within the sample itself.

2. Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings they are subject to sampling variability; that is, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if all dwellings had been included in the survey. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

3. Space does not allow for the separate indication of the standard errors of all estimates in this publication. However, a table of standard errors for general application is given below. These figures will not give a precise measure of the standard error of a particular estimate since they are averages based on calculations for a limited number of labour force surveys over a wide range of labour force characteristics. Nevertheless they will provide an indication of the magnitude of the standard error. An example of the calculation and use of standard errors is as follows:

If an estimate for Australia obtained from the sample is 100,000 then the standard error is 3,900 and there are about two chances in three that the true figure is within the range 96,100 to 103,900 and about nineteen chances in twenty that this figure is between 92,200 and 107,800.

4. The reliability of an estimated percentage, computed by using sample data for both numerator and denominator, depends upon both the size of the numerator and the size of the denominator. However, the per cent standard error of the estimated percentage will generally be lower than the per cent standard error of the estimate of the numerator. The per cent standard errors of the numerator can be obtained from the table below.

5. As the standard errors in the table below show the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. In the tables in this publication, estimates less than the lowest levels shown in the table below have not been included. Although figures for these small components can in some cases be derived by subtraction, they should not be regarded as reliable.

6. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by interviewers and respondents. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or only a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

STANDARD ERRORS OF ESTIMATES

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TABLE 1. HOUSEHOLDS : NATURE OF OCCUPANCY BY STATE CAPITAL CITY AND BY STATE
(⁰⁰⁰)

Area	Outright owners and purchasers			Renter	Other (a)	Total
	Owner	Purchaser	Total			
State capital city—						
Sydney	390.7	381.3	772.0	288.6	23.3	1,083.9
Melbourne	334.8	339.1	673.9	220.8	17.9	912.6
Brisbane	129.3	126.5	255.8	78.7	6.2	340.7
Adelaide	103.2	134.8	238.0	82.5	6.4	326.9
Perth	85.9	132.9	218.9	73.7	7.8	300.4
Hobart	17.9	22.5	40.5	14.6	*	55.8
Six state capital cities	1,061.8	1,137.2	2,199.0	758.9	62.4	3,020.3
Other areas (b)	764.7	467.3	1,232.0	431.8	87.1	1,750.8
States—						
N.S.W.	676.7	530.7	1,207.4	433.3	52.5	1,693.2
Vic.	501.4	444.9	946.2	281.7	36.8	1,264.8
Qld	292.0	215.4	507.5	171.7	27.4	706.5
S.A.	158.3	160.9	319.2	114.3	11.7	445.2
W.A.	133.8	157.8	291.6	109.9	15.0	416.5
Tas.	51.7	48.0	99.7	34.8	4.2	138.7
N.T.	3.4	6.1	9.5	21.8	*	32.7
A.C.T.	9.2	40.7	49.9	23.2	*	73.5
Australia	1,826.5	1,604.5	3,431.0	1,190.7	149.5	4,771.1

(a) Comprises private households occupying their accommodation rent-free, or on some other basis. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and the A.C.T.

TABLE 2. HOUSEHOLDS : NATURE OF OCCUPANCY BY MARITAL STATUS, SEX AND AGE OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD (a)
(000)

<i>Marital status, age and sex of household head</i>	<i>Owner</i>	<i>Purchaser</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Renter</i>	<i>Other (b)</i>	<i>Total</i>
Married male head aged—						
15-24 years	4.6	53.3	58.0	68.3	5.3	131.5
25-29 years	23.8	194.8	218.6	116.2	13.2	348.1
30-34 years	60.7	282.8	343.6	99.6	10.3	453.5
35-64 years	823.0	808.6	1,631.6	251.5	39.9	1,923.0
65 years and over	320.5	24.7	345.2	38.0	10.0	393.2
Total	1,232.7	1,364.2	2,596.9	573.6	78.7	3,249.2
Married female head aged—						
15-24 years	*	*	*	8.6	*	12.1
25-29 years	*	*	*	10.9	*	14.4
30-34 years	*	5.0	6.9	7.4	*	14.6
35-64 years	12.0	10.5	22.4	10.6	*	34.5
65 years and over	5.4	*	5.4	*	*	7.1
Total	20.1	21.3	41.4	38.4	*	82.7
Not married male head aged—						
15-24 years	*	6.8	10.6	89.4	7.1	107.1
25-29 years	6.5	19.3	25.8	52.9	*	82.0
30-34 years	6.9	16.2	23.2	25.7	*	51.7
35-64 years	78.9	52.9	131.8	74.2	8.8	214.7
65 years and over	72.2	*	76.3	17.5	6.0	99.8
Total	168.3	99.3	267.7	259.6	28.0	555.3
Not married female head aged—						
15-24 years	*	*	5.2	76.1	*	85.3
25-29 years	*	12.3	15.0	48.7	*	65.0
30-34 years	*	18.1	21.9	29.7	*	53.0
35-64 years	157.7	73.9	231.6	105.1	11.1	347.8
65 years and over	238.9	12.4	251.3	59.5	22.1	332.9
Total	405.3	119.6	525.0	319.1	39.9	883.9
All private households with male head aged—						
15-24 years	8.4	60.1	68.6	157.6	12.4	238.4
25-29 years	30.4	214.1	244.5	169.2	16.4	430.0
30-34 years	67.7	299.1	366.8	125.2	13.2	505.2
35-64 years	901.9	861.5	1,763.4	325.7	48.7	2,137.7
65 years and over	392.7	28.8	421.4	55.5	16.1	493.0
Total	1,401.1	1,463.5	2,864.6	833.2	106.7	3,804.5
All private households with female head aged—						
15-24 years	*	5.8	8.4	84.8	*	97.4
25-29 years	*	15.4	18.5	59.7	*	79.5
30-34 years	5.7	23.0	28.7	37.1	*	67.5
35-64 years	169.7	84.4	254.0	115.7	12.6	382.3
65 years and over	244.3	12.4	256.7	60.3	23.0	340.0
Total	425.4	141.0	566.4	357.5	42.7	966.6
All private households with head aged—						
15-24 years	11.1	65.9	77.0	242.4	16.6	336.0
25-29 years	33.5	229.5	263.0	228.8	17.7	509.5
30-34 years	73.3	322.1	395.5	162.3	14.9	572.7
35-64 years	1,071.6	945.8	2,017.4	441.4	61.2	2,520.0
65 years and over	637.0	41.1	678.1	115.8	39.0	832.9
Total	1,826.5	1,604.5	3,431.0	1,190.7	149.5	4,771.1

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises private households occupying their accommodation rent-free or on some other basis.

**TABLE 3. HOUSEHOLDS : NATURE OF OCCUPANCY BY MARITAL STATUS AND SEX
OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD (a)**
(⁰⁰⁰)

Marital status and nature of occupancy	State capital cities			Other areas			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Now married—									
Owner	689.1	11.2	700.3	543.6	8.9	552.5	1,232.7	20.1	1,252.8
Purchaser	955.9	14.3	970.2	408.3	7.0	415.3	1,364.2	21.3	1,385.5
Total	1,645.0	25.5	1,670.6	951.9	15.9	967.8	2,596.9	41.4	2,638.4
Renter	326.7	23.8	350.5	246.9	14.7	261.5	573.6	38.4	612.0
Other (b)	24.6	*	25.7	54.1	*	55.9	78.7	*	81.6
Total	1,996.3	50.4	2,046.7	1,252.9	32.3	1,285.2	3,249.2	82.7	3,331.9
Never married—									
Owner	41.0	38.3	79.3	34.5	14.1	48.6	75.4	52.5	127.9
Purchaser	35.7	17.7	53.4	10.3	*	14.3	46.0	21.7	67.7
Total	76.7	56.0	132.7	44.7	18.2	62.9	121.4	74.2	195.6
Renter	129.7	94.6	224.3	57.4	32.9	90.3	187.2	127.4	314.6
Other (b)	7.5	6.4	13.9	11.3	*	15.6	18.8	10.7	29.5
Total	214.0	157.0	371.0	113.5	55.3	168.8	327.5	212.3	539.8
Other (c)—									
Owner	52.2	230.0	282.2	40.7	122.8	163.5	92.9	352.8	445.7
Purchaser	38.6	75.0	113.6	14.8	23.0	37.7	53.3	97.9	151.3
Total	90.8	305.0	395.7	55.5	145.8	201.3	146.2	450.8	597.0
Renter	53.4	130.7	184.1	19.0	61.0	80.0	72.4	191.6	264.1
Other (b)	3.6	19.1	22.8	5.5	10.1	15.6	9.1	29.2	38.4
Total	147.9	454.8	602.6	80.0	216.8	296.8	227.8	671.6	899.4
Total—									
Owner	782.3	279.5	1,061.8	618.8	145.9	764.7	1,401.0	425.4	1,826.5
Purchaser	1,030.3	107.0	1,137.2	433.2	34.0	467.3	1,463.5	141.0	1,604.5
Total	1,812.5	386.5	2,199.0	1,052.1	179.9	1,232.0	2,864.6	566.4	3,431.0
Renter	509.9	249.0	758.9	323.3	108.5	431.8	833.2	357.5	1,190.7
Other (b)	35.8	26.7	62.4	71.0	16.1	87.1	106.7	42.8	149.5
Total	2,358.2	662.2	3,020.3	1,446.3	304.5	1,750.8	3,804.5	966.6	4,771.1

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises private households occupying their accommodation rent-free, or on some other basis. (c) Comprises persons who were separated, divorced or widowed.

TABLE 4. HOUSEHOLDS : NATURE OF OCCUPANCY BY AGE AND SEX OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD (a) BY STATE CAPITAL CITY ('000)

State capital city	Age of household head							Total
	15 to 24 years	25 to 29 years	30 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 years and over	
OWNERS AND PURCHASERS								
Males—								
Sydney	11.6	50.8	81.3	145.5	134.4	118.5	89.2	631.2
Melbourne	13.1	44.4	74.5	137.0	120.8	97.1	73.7	560.6
Brisbane	6.4	20.8	27.7	43.9	40.6	36.2	31.1	206.7
Adelaide	5.9	18.5	25.9	43.9	41.1	35.5	26.2	197.0
Perth	5.0	18.2	26.3	44.6	37.5	27.5	23.3	182.4
Hobart	*	3.6	5.0	7.9	7.1	6.0	4.1	34.7
Six State capital cities	43.0	156.2	240.7	422.8	381.4	320.7	247.6	1,812.5
Other areas (b)	25.5	88.3	126.0	236.9	210.6	190.9	173.8	1,052.1
Australia	68.6	244.5	366.8	659.8	592.0	511.6	421.4	2,864.6
Females—								
Sydney	*	*	6.8	13.9	16.6	33.3	64.3	140.8
Melbourne	*	*	7.1	11.4	15.9	25.6	49.5	113.3
Brisbane	*	*	*	4.4	6.5	11.1	22.7	49.1
Adelaide	*	*	2.6	4.1	6.3	8.6	16.2	41.0
Perth	*	*	*	3.6	5.2	6.9	15.5	36.5
Hobart	*	*	*	*	*	*	2.1	5.8
Six State capital cities	5.6	13.5	20.7	38.0	51.5	86.8	170.3	386.5
Other areas (b)	*	4.9	8.0	16.7	22.2	38.8	86.4	179.9
Australia	8.4	18.5	28.7	54.7	73.7	125.6	256.7	566.4
OTHERS (c)								
Males—								
Sydney	31.4	37.7	32.6	44.2	29.0	18.4	14.6	207.8
Melbourne	32.3	37.4	24.0	22.7	21.9	13.0	12.5	163.6
Brisbane	11.9	9.8	8.2	10.5	6.2	5.2	4.3	56.0
Adelaide	11.8	11.0	6.2	6.9	6.8	4.9	7.3	54.9
Perth	10.6	9.9	7.0	8.7	6.7	4.6	6.3	53.9
Hobart	2.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.4
Six State capital cities	100.9	107.1	78.6	94.2	71.6	47.0	46.3	545.7
Other areas (b)	69.1	78.4	59.9	76.8	53.0	31.6	25.3	394.2
Australia	170.0	185.5	138.5	171.1	124.6	78.7	71.5	939.9
Females—								
Sydney	20.8	15.3	10.7	10.6	13.6	10.0	23.2	104.1
Melbourne	18.7	11.5	7.6	10.7	6.5	6.5	13.7	75.1
Brisbane	8.6	5.2	4.0	*	*	*	4.5	28.8
Adelaide	5.4	5.1	2.5	3.4	3.9	4.3	9.5	34.0
Perth	6.7	4.3	2.9	3.3	2.2	2.8	5.3	27.6
Hobart	1.9	*	*	*	*	*	*	6.0
Six State capital cities	62.0	41.9	28.3	30.8	29.0	26.3	57.3	275.6
Other areas (b)	26.9	19.0	10.5	16.2	13.5	12.5	26.0	124.6
Australia	89.0	61.0	38.8	47.0	42.5	38.5	83.3	400.2
TOTAL								
Males—								
Sydney	43.0	88.5	113.9	189.6	163.4	136.8	103.8	839.1
Melbourne	45.4	81.8	98.5	159.7	142.7	110.0	86.2	724.2
Brisbane	18.3	30.6	35.9	54.4	46.8	41.4	35.4	262.7
Adelaide	17.7	29.5	32.1	50.8	47.9	40.4	33.5	251.9
Perth	15.7	28.1	33.2	53.3	44.2	32.1	29.6	236.3
Hobart	3.9	4.8	5.7	9.2	8.0	6.9	5.5	44.0
Six State capital cities	143.9	263.3	319.3	517.1	453.1	367.7	293.9	2,358.2
Other areas (b)	94.6	166.7	186.0	313.7	263.6	222.6	199.1	1,446.3
Australia	238.6	430.0	505.2	830.8	716.6	590.3	493.0	3,804.5
Females—								
Sydney	22.3	19.5	17.5	24.5	30.2	43.3	87.5	244.9
Melbourne	19.6	14.4	14.7	22.1	22.3	32.1	63.2	188.5
Brisbane	9.8	7.1	5.4	6.0	9.1	13.4	27.2	78.0
Adelaide	6.7	6.9	5.1	7.5	10.2	12.8	25.7	75.0
Perth	7.4	6.7	5.2	6.9	7.4	9.7	20.8	64.1
Hobart	1.9	*	*	1.7	*	1.7	3.3	11.8
Six State capital cities	67.7	55.5	49.0	68.8	80.5	113.1	227.6	662.1
Other areas (b)	29.7	24.0	18.5	32.9	35.8	51.3	112.3	304.5
Australia	97.4	79.5	67.5	101.7	116.3	164.4	340.0	966.6
Total	336.0	509.5	572.7	932.5	832.9	754.7	832.9	4,771.1

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and A.C.T. (c) Comprises renters and private households occupying their accommodation rent-free, or on some other basis.

TABLE 5. HOUSEHOLDS : NATURE OF OCCUPANCY AND COUNTRY OF BIRTH OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD (a) BY STATE CAPITAL CITY (000)

State capital city	Country of birth of household head									
	Main English speaking countries				Other countries				Total born overseas	
	Australia	U.K. / Ireland	Other (b)	Total	Italy	Greece	Yugo-slavia	Other	Total	Total
OWNERS AND PURCHASERS										
Sydney	515.0	79.0	13.8	92.7	32.8	18.3	16.6	96.6	164.3	772.0
Melbourne	403.8	72.7	7.3	80.1	47.2	29.9	16.9	96.0	190.0	673.9
Brisbane	198.0	28.4	4.4	32.8	5.4	*	*	16.2	25.0	255.8
Adelaide	148.3	42.0	*	43.7	14.3	4.9	2.8	24.0	46.0	238.0
Perth	128.3	48.3	3.7	52.0	10.2	*	3.5	22.9	38.6	218.9
Hobart	31.3	4.6	*	5.2	*	*	*	3.1	3.9	40.5
Six State capital cities	1,424.6	275.1	31.5	306.6	110.3	56.4	42.3	258.8	467.8	2,199.0
Other areas (c)	1,024.4	92.4	12.5	104.9	22.6	*	15.4	60.8	102.7	1,232.0
Australia	2,449.0	367.5	44.0	411.5	132.9	60.3	57.7	319.6	570.5	3,431.0
OTHERS (d)										
Sydney	202.2	36.6	12.7	49.3	5.6	4.9	*	46.0	60.4	311.9
Melbourne	156.0	28.5	*	32.7	*	4.9	*	37.2	50.1	238.7
Brisbane	62.4	9.7	4.9	14.5	*	*	*	6.7	7.9	84.9
Adelaide	60.9	17.9	*	19.1	*	*	*	7.6	8.9	88.9
Perth	48.2	18.4	4.8	23.2	*	*	*	7.6	10.1	81.5
Hobart	13.3	1.1	*	4.4	*	*	*	*	*	15.4
Six State capital cities	543.0	112.2	28.0	140.2	11.6	10.4	10.4	105.6	138.1	821.3
Other areas (c)	426.4	48.5	12.1	60.6	*	*	*	23.1	31.8	518.8
Australia	969.4	160.7	40.1	200.8	14.8	11.7	14.8	128.6	169.9	1,340.1
TOTAL										
Sydney	717.2	115.6	26.5	142.0	38.4	23.2	20.5	142.6	224.7	1,083.9
Melbourne	559.7	101.2	11.6	112.8	51.2	34.8	21.0	133.2	240.1	912.6
Brisbane	260.4	38.1	9.3	47.4	5.6	*	*	22.9	32.9	340.7
Adelaide	209.2	59.9	2.8	62.8	15.1	5.0	3.3	31.6	54.9	326.9
Perth	176.5	66.7	8.5	75.2	11.3	*	4.7	30.5	48.7	300.4
Hobart	44.6	5.7	*	6.7	*	*	*	3.7	4.6	55.8
Six State capital cities	1,967.6	387.2	59.5	446.8	122.0	66.8	52.8	364.4	605.9	3,020.3
Other areas (c)	1,450.8	141.0	24.6	165.6	25.7	5.2	19.8	83.8	134.5	1,750.8
Australia	3,418.4	528.2	84.1	612.3	147.6	72.0	72.5	448.2	740.4	4,771.1

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises U.S.A., New Zealand, Canada and South Africa. (c) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and the A.C.T. (d) Comprises renters and private households occupying their accommodation rent-free, or on some other basis.

TABLE 6. HOUSEHOLDS PAYING RENT (a) : TYPE OF DWELLING RENTED BY AGE, SEX AND MARITAL STATUS OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD (b)
(000)

Type of dwelling and age and marital status of household head	State capital cities			Other areas (c)			Total		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
15 to 19 years—									
Separate house	*	*	5.4	*	*	5.9	5.5	5.8	11.3
Flat/unit	5.0	4.8	9.8	*	*	*	6.9	6.5	13.4
Other (d)	*	*	6.0	*	*	*	*	5.5	9.4
Total	9.9	11.2	21.2	6.4	6.6	13.0	16.3	17.8	34.1
20 to 24 years—									
Separate house	34.4	12.4	46.7	36.8	10.9	47.7	71.2	23.2	94.4
Flat/unit	34.0	25.6	59.6	13.2	*	17.4	47.2	29.8	77.0
Other (d)	22.6	12.8	35.4	12.7	5.2	18.0	35.3	18.1	53.4
Total	90.9	50.8	141.7	62.8	20.4	83.1	153.7	71.2	224.9
25 to 29 years—									
Separate house	51.5	15.4	66.9	58.1	11.8	69.9	109.6	27.2	136.8
Flat/unit	34.1	17.0	51.1	8.6	*	12.3	42.7	20.8	63.4
Other (d)	21.5	9.5	31.0	11.8	*	15.3	33.3	13.0	46.2
Total	107.1	41.9	149.0	78.5	19.0	97.5	185.5	61.0	246.5
30 to 34 years—									
Separate house	37.0	12.5	49.6	49.0	7.0	56.1	86.0	19.6	105.6
Flat/unit	24.6	9.6	34.1	4.5	*	6.6	29.0	11.8	40.8
Other (d)	17.0	6.1	23.1	6.4	*	7.7	23.3	7.4	30.8
Total	78.6	28.3	106.8	59.9	10.4	70.4	138.5	38.8	177.2
35 to 64 years—									
Separate house	102.6	35.5	138.1	131.6	25.0	156.7	234.2	60.5	294.7
Flat/unit	62.5	29.9	92.4	11.6	7.2	18.9	74.2	37.2	111.3
Other (d)	47.8	20.7	68.5	18.2	9.9	28.1	66.0	30.6	96.6
Total	212.9	86.1	298.9	161.5	42.2	203.7	374.4	128.2	502.6
64 years and over—									
Separate house	17.9	16.4	34.3	18.2	11.7	29.9	36.1	28.2	64.2
Flat/unit	12.7	22.7	35.3	*	5.4	7.4	14.6	28.1	42.7
Other (d)	15.7	18.2	33.9	5.1	8.8	14.0	20.8	27.0	47.9
Total	46.3	57.3	103.5	25.3	26.0	51.2	71.5	83.3	154.8
All age groups—									
Now married—									
Separate house	183.5	18.1	201.6	245.0	13.5	258.6	428.5	31.7	460.2
Flat/unit	85.4	4.9	90.3	21.1	*	22.5	106.5	6.4	112.8
Other (d)	82.5	*	84.3	34.9	*	36.3	117.4	*	120.6
Total	351.3	24.9	376.2	301.0	16.4	317.4	652.3	41.3	693.6
Never married—									
Separate house	44.6	22.4	67.0	34.6	18.6	53.2	79.1	41.0	120.2
Flat/unit	63.9	52.7	116.6	18.0	9.2	27.2	81.9	61.9	143.8
Other (d)	28.8	25.8	54.6	16.2	9.3	25.5	45.0	35.2	80.2
Total	137.3	101.0	238.2	68.7	37.2	106.0	206.0	138.1	344.2
Other (e)—									
Separate house	18.2	54.2	72.4	16.7	37.6	54.3	35.0	91.7	126.8
Flat/unit	23.6	51.9	75.5	*	14.0	16.6	26.2	65.9	92.1
Other (d)	15.3	43.7	58.9	5.1	19.5	24.6	20.4	63.2	83.6
Total	57.1	149.8	206.9	24.5	71.0	95.5	81.6	220.8	302.4
Total—									
Separate house	246.3	94.7	341.0	296.4	69.7	366.1	542.6	164.5	707.1
Flat/unit	172.9	109.6	282.4	41.7	24.6	66.3	214.5	134.2	348.7
Other (d)	126.6	71.3	197.9	56.2	30.3	86.5	182.7	101.6	284.3
Total	545.7	275.6	821.3	394.2	124.6	518.8	939.9	400.2	1,340.1

(a) Includes 149,500 households occupying their accommodation rent-free, or on some other basis. (b) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (c) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and A.C.T. (d) Comprises semi-detached houses (including town houses, villa units and terraced houses), mobile and improvised dwellings and dwellings attached to non-dwellings. (e) Comprises persons who were separated, divorced or widowed.

**TABLE 7. HOUSEHOLDS PAYING RENT : TYPE OF LANDLORD BY TYPE OF DWELLING
AND NUMBER OF BEDROOMS IN DWELLING**
(000)

Number of bedrooms	Type of dwelling											
	Separate house			Flat/unit			Other (a)			Total		
	State capital city	Other areas (b)	Total	State capital city	Other areas (b)	Total	State capital city	Other areas (b)	Total	State capital city	Other areas (b)	Total
Rent paid to—												
Government authority (c)												
Bedsitter	*	*	*	7.4	*	9.4	*	*	6.8	11.5	4.9	16.4
1 bedroom	*	*	*	6.3	*	7.7	6.7	*	9.1	13.4	*	17.2
2 bedrooms	9.1	11.9	20.9	16.5	*	20.4	6.0	*	7.2	31.6	17.0	48.5
3 bedrooms	38.1	52.5	90.5	*	*	4.8	24.5	8.3	32.8	66.7	61.5	128.2
More than 3 bedrooms	6.8	7.5	14.3	*	*	*	*	*	*	9.1	8.2	17.4
Total	54.3	72.1	126.4	34.3	8.0	42.3	43.7	15.3	59.0	132.3	95.4	227.7
Rent paid to—												
Employer (d)												
Bedsitter	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
1 bedroom	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
2 bedrooms	*	6.2	8.0	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	10.8	13.0
3 bedrooms	4.8	34.7	39.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.0	36.1	41.1
More than 3 bedrooms	*	5.9	6.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	6.3	6.9
Total	7.2	46.8	53.9	*	*	*	*	4.5	6.1	9.2	54.0	63.2
Rent paid to—												
Other recipients (e)												
Bedsitter	4.7	*	6.0	11.3	*	13.2	5.2	*	8.6	21.2	6.6	27.8
1 bedroom	15.9	13.3	29.1	70.8	13.1	83.9	26.2	15.6	41.7	112.9	41.9	154.8
2 bedrooms	65.0	46.4	111.4	141.9	34.0	175.9	82.4	32.4	114.8	289.3	112.9	402.2
3 bedrooms	127.5	92.4	219.9	11.9	*	15.0	25.9	5.4	31.3	165.2	100.9	266.2
More than 3 bedrooms	24.4	19.1	43.5	*	*	*	*	*	*	28.8	19.9	48.8
Total	237.5	172.5	410.0	236.5	52.5	289.0	143.5	57.3	200.8	617.4	282.3	899.8
Total—												
Bedsitter	4.7	*	6.2	18.7	*	22.6	9.7	6.0	15.7	33.0	11.5	44.5
1 bedroom	16.3	13.3	29.6	77.3	14.9	92.2	33.7	18.5	52.1	127.3	46.6	174.0
2 bedrooms	75.8	64.5	140.3	158.6	40.2	198.9	88.6	35.9	124.6	323.1	140.7	463.7
3 bedrooms	170.4	179.5	350.0	16.0	*	19.7	50.6	15.2	65.8	236.9	198.5	435.4
More than 3 bedrooms	31.8	32.5	64.3	*	*	*	6.1	*	7.7	38.5	34.5	73.0
Total	298.9	291.4	590.3	271.2	63.3	334.5	188.7	77.2	265.9	758.9	431.8	1,190.7

(a) Comprises semi-detached houses (including townhouses, villa units and terraced houses), mobile and improvised dwellings and dwellings attached to non-dwellings. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and A.C.T. (c) See paragraph 8 of the explanatory notes. (d) Rent paid to employer of household head (see paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes). (e) Includes Real Estate agents and private landlords.

TABLE 8. HOUSEHOLDS PAYING RENT TO NON-GOVERNMENT LANDLORDS (a) BY TYPE OF DWELLING BY STATE CAPITAL CITY ('000)

Type of dwelling	State capital city						Total	Other areas (b)	Total
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart			
Separate house	97.0	85.9	38.6	29.0	31.4	4.8	286.7	294.1	580.7
Low rise flat/unit	105.9	74.0	20.2	9.5	13.1	3.7	226.4	57.9	284.3
High rise flat/unit	13.2	*	*	*	2.8	*	21.7	*	22.1
Total flats/units	119.1	77.9	21.7	9.8	15.9	3.8	248.2	58.2	306.4
Semi-detached (c)	35.8	47.6	14.0	19.3	15.5	2.4	134.5	56.1	190.7
Other (d)	7.5	8.0	*	*	1.5	*	19.6	15.0	34.6
Total	259.4	219.4	75.2	59.3	64.4	11.4	689.0	423.4	1,112.5

(a) Includes employers of household head. Real Estate agents and private landlords. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and A.C.T. (c) Includes townhouses, villa units and terraced houses. (d) Comprises mobile and improvised dwellings and dwellings attached to non-dwellings.

TABLE 9. HOUSEHOLDS PAYING RENT TO REAL ESTATE AGENTS AND PRIVATE LANDLORDS (a) BY NUMBER OF BEDROOMS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY RENT BY STATE CAPITAL CITY

	State capital city								
Recipient of rent	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Total	Other areas (b)	Australia
	NUMBER ('000)								
Real estate agent—									
Bedsitter	5.5	*	*	*	*	*	8.9	*	10.4
1 bedroom	22.7	30.3	*	*	3.9	*	61.1	14.2	75.4
2 bedrooms	72.5	65.8	7.2	6.0	10.1	*	163.0	38.5	201.5
3 bedrooms	23.7	27.2	6.7	3.0	9.4	*	70.3	27.7	98.0
More than 3 bedrooms	4.8	*	*	*	*	*	12.4	7.2	19.6
Total	129.1	128.6	18.7	10.7	26.1	2.5	315.8	89.0	404.8
Private landlord—									
Bedsitter	7.9	*	*	*	*	*	12.2	5.2	17.5
1 bedroom	14.9	10.3	11.5	7.4	5.3	2.3	51.8	27.7	79.5
2 bedrooms	47.3	27.5	19.0	18.8	11.5	2.3	126.3	74.4	200.7
3 bedrooms	28.0	25.9	16.3	12.1	10.3	2.3	94.9	73.3	168.2
More than 3 bedrooms	5.9	*	*	*	*	*	16.4	12.7	29.2
Total	104.0	68.9	50.1	41.3	29.3	8.0	301.7	193.3	495.0
Total—									
Bedsitter	13.4	*	*	*	*	*	21.2	6.7	27.8
1 bedroom	37.6	40.6	14.2	8.3	9.1	2.8	112.9	41.9	154.8
2 bedrooms	119.8	93.3	26.2	24.8	21.6	3.7	289.3	112.9	402.2
3 bedrooms	51.7	53.1	23.0	15.2	19.7	2.6	165.2	100.9	266.2
More than 3 bedrooms	10.6	6.4	4.2	2.7	3.9	*	28.8	19.9	48.8
Total	233.1	197.5	68.7	52.1	55.5	10.5	617.4	282.3	899.8
	AVERAGE WEEKLY RENT (\$)								
Real estate agent—									
Bedsitter	39.92	*	*	*	*	*	35.81	*	33.75
1 bedroom	52.97	33.79	*	*	38.08	*	41.50	36.62	40.58
2 bedrooms	64.51	46.49	50.49	47.99	43.80	*	54.58	47.01	53.13
3 bedrooms	72.89	58.64	66.82	54.90	51.34	*	63.10	55.78	61.03
More than 3 bedrooms	91.72	*	*	*	*	*	77.62	58.16	70.48
Total	63.98	46.48	55.89	49.23	46.69	48.50	54.32	48.56	53.05
Private landlord—									
Bedsitter	29.97	*	*	*	*	*	26.68	29.03	27.38
1 bedroom	38.18	34.20	30.31	22.16	26.34	36.71	32.05	30.95	31.67
2 bedrooms	62.27	45.98	48.48	40.15	38.21	43.48	50.84	40.51	47.01
3 bedrooms	78.50	57.50	46.39	46.60	48.06	44.38	59.06	44.60	52.76
More than 3 bedrooms	144.17	63.41	*	*	*	*	88.81	39.21	67.16
Total	65.36	48.68	43.39	38.88	40.81	43.01	51.29	40.29	47.00
Total—									
Bedsitter	34.03	*	*	*	*	*	30.53	27.29	29.76
1 bedroom	47.11	33.90	32.29	23.27	31.30	36.64	37.17	32.87	36.01
2 bedrooms	63.62	46.34	49.03	42.05	40.83	44.88	52.94	42.73	50.08
3 bedrooms	75.93	58.09	52.36	48.26	49.63	46.80	60.78	47.66	55.80
More than 3 bedrooms	120.64	69.10	57.50	54.57	62.26	64.13	84.00	46.05	68.49
Total	64.59	47.25	46.78	41.02	43.58	44.32	52.84	42.90	49.72

(a) Excludes rent paid to government authorities and to the employer of the household head. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and A.C.T.

TABLE 10. RENTING HOUSEHOLDS WITH AN EMPLOYED WAGE OR SALARY EARNING HEAD (a) : NUMBER OF BEDROOMS IN DWELLING AND AVERAGE WEEKLY RENT BY STATE CAPITAL CITY

Number of bedrooms	State capital city							Other areas (b)	Australia
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Total		
Bedsitter—									
Number of households ('000)	7.7	*	*	*	*	*	11.4	*	14.6
Average weekly rent (\$)	35.18	*	*	*	*	*	32.66	*	31.15
1 Bedroom—									
Number of households ('000)	27.6	28.4	7.5	2.9	5.1	1.9	73.3	22.2	95.5
Average weekly rent (\$)	49.68	34.82	36.10	29.14	35.63	38.78	40.47	35.21	39.25
2 Bedrooms—									
Number of households ('000)	92.2	67.0	16.5	18.0	16.4	2.4	212.5	86.7	299.2
Average weekly rent (\$)	64.26	47.56	49.82	41.49	40.35	47.98	53.91	40.02	49.89
3 Bedrooms—									
Number of households ('000)	46.7	39.4	17.7	16.8	17.2	2.2	140.0	135.8	275.8
Average weekly rent (\$)	68.14	54.14	52.67	41.68	46.62	43.70	56.04	37.54	46.93
More than 3 bedrooms—									
Number of households ('000)	8.7	5.1	*	*	3.4	*	22.9	22.8	45.7
Average weekly rent (\$)	92.08	66.69	*	*	54.94	*	69.14	37.45	53.34
Total—									
Number of households ('000)	182.9	142.0	45.1	40.4	42.8	7.1	460.2	270.6	730.8
Average weekly rent (\$)	63.16	47.21	48.28	40.51	43.27	44.10	52.65	38.00	47.22

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and the A.C.T.

TABLE 11. RENTING HOUSEHOLDS WITH AN EMPLOYED WAGE OR SALARY EARNING HEAD (a) : WEEKLY RENT PAID BY STATE CAPITAL CITY ('000)

Weekly rent (\$)	State capital city							Other areas (b)	Australia
	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Total		
1-19	*	4.9	*	2.5	2.5	*	15.1	44.1	59.2
20-24	*	*	*	*	*	*	8.8	16.4	25.2
25-29	5.9	6.4	*	6.7	*	*	24.5	27.6	52.1
30-34	5.2	19.1	*	5.5	4.2	*	37.5	22.8	60.3
35-39	10.1	14.5	*	7.3	7.1	*	43.0	40.4	83.4
40-44	15.2	16.4	7.4	4.1	7.9	1.5	52.5	34.2	86.8
45-49	15.7	21.7	7.0	3.7	5.3	*	54.0	22.8	76.8
50-54	17.9	16.5	5.7	3.4	4.1	*	48.4	20.9	69.3
55-59	19.7	15.6	*	*	2.5	*	44.0	10.6	54.6
60-64	18.4	6.6	*	*	*	*	33.2	8.0	41.2
65-69	16.2	6.8	*	*	*	*	27.9	7.8	35.7
70-74	12.9	*	*	*	*	*	18.9	4.8	23.7
75-79	11.3	*	*	*	*	*	15.5	*	18.9
80-84	5.0	*	*	*	*	*	6.3	*	8.3
85-89	4.6	*	*	*	*	*	5.7	*	6.2
90-94	*	*	*	*	*	*	5.5	*	5.7
95-99	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
more than 99	13.3	*	*	*	*	*	17.9	*	21.0
Total	182.9	142.0	45.1	40.4	42.8	7.1	460.2	270.6	730.8
Average weekly rent (\$)	63.16	47.21	48.28	40.51	43.27	44.10	52.65	38.00	47.22

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and the A.C.T.

TABLE 14. PURCHASER HOUSEHOLDS WITH AN EMPLOYED WAGE OR SALARY EARNING HOUSEHOLD HEAD (a): NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY MORTGAGE PAYMENTS BY WEEKLY EARNINGS OF HOUSEHOLD HEAD BY STATE CAPITAL CITY

STATE CAPITAL CITY									
State capital city								Other areas (b)	Australia
Weekly earnings (\$)	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Total		
NUMBER ('000)									
1-19	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20-39	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40-59	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4.8
60-79	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80-99	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
100-129	.	.	.	2.7	.	.	13.5	6.2	19.7
130-159	9.2	10.8	.	4.2	3.1	.	30.8	12.8	43.5
160-199	30.6	31.3	14.5	16.4	13.6	2.4	108.9	50.0	158.9
200-249	72.0	70.3	28.9	29.2	28.3	4.6	233.4	99.3	332.7
250-299	62.4	52.2	17.1	18.7	19.6	4.6	174.6	53.5	228.2
300-359	50.2	42.0	15.9	15.8	15.2	2.6	141.7	49.2	190.9
More than 359	61.0	45.7	14.4	14.1	17.3	2.4	154.9	57.7	212.5
Total	293.2	259.9	96.4	102.9	100.3	17.8	870.5	334.4	1,204.9
Average weekly earnings (\$) ^{293.25}	281.46	272.58	266.81	276.01	269.60	281.84	272.29	279.19	
AVERAGE WEEKLY MORTGAGE PAYMENTS (\$)									
1-19	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
20-39	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40-59	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39.24
60-79	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
80-99	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
100-129	.	.	.	39.48	.	.	42.12	30.90	38.59
130-159	43.28	41.96	.	36.30	42.04	.	40.64	36.61	39.46
160-199	47.06	41.44	32.42	32.81	35.36	36.76	39.65	33.90	37.52
200-249	46.77	48.00	41.10	35.09	39.94	30.33	43.82	35.86	41.45
250-299	46.70	46.86	42.79	39.58	44.84	33.43	45.04	42.65	44.48
300-359	53.02	46.77	44.33	40.74	43.91	34.30	47.51	42.98	46.34
More than 359	62.95	51.62	46.75	44.94	56.19	40.73	55.36	48.05	53.38
Total	50.99	47.02	40.86	37.79	43.52	33.75	45.91	39.58	44.15

(a) See paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 of the explanatory notes. (b) Comprises the non-metropolitan areas of the six States and the whole of the N.T. and the A.C.T.